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terminating them, because, due to the salary, many people would be waiting to take that position. But then he added this, and I've mentioned it from time to time on this floor, he said, if you pay peanuts, all you will draw are monkeys. We want something other than that on the Supreme Court, and this is a modest proposal which LB 350 presents to us.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. For discussion on LB 350, Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Chambers refers to it as the Renaissance court, Senator Renaissance meaning, from the Latin word meaning to be born Perhaps, Senator Chambers, we could also refer to it as the born again court. (Laughter.) Doesn't have quite the same But the Renaissance was a time when there was a great revival in art and literature, and also in architecture. And I don't know how you compare such revivals to a court system but, if you were, I suppose you would make an analogy to the revival in letters to the work that the court does in writing opinions. But there is another aspect that you can compare, I suppose, and that is the administration and structure and architecture of the court system to the revival of architecture that was part of the Renaissance. these And as we increase salaries, commensurate...or to recognize the quality of the people that we have on the court, I hope that the people on the court, in return, will recognize that there has been some decay in the of administration the system in the sense that prior administrations, in my opinion, were not particularly interested in the structure of the court system and, as a consequence of that, the efficiencies and the taxpayer savings that might be accomplished in that particular area of government. The Supreme Court has a special responsibility in this regard, because they have special authority and because they are in fact the administrators of that branch of government. The Chief Justice is the governor of the judicial branch. And so I would encourage them, in order to be a Renaissance court in the fullest sense, to perform a rebirth of the architecture of the court system. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Chair recognizes Senator Brashear.